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THE WILL OF THOMAS OPIE, SR., OF THE CITY OF BRISTOL, ENGLAND.

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The 20th day of October in the twelfth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King William in the year of our Lord one thousand and seven hundred and one, Thomas Opie of the City of Bristol being Sick and Weak of body but sound and perfect in memory, praise be given to God for the Same, and Considering the uncertainty of life and that it is Appointed for all men once to dye and being desirous to Settle things in order and to dispose of that wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me, I make this My last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say, first and principally I commend My Soul to Almighty God and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in Such a Christian Manner as my Executors herein named shall think fit and convenient. I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Opie all my Stock that is on my plantation in Virginia except the last crop of Tobacco which is now to be shipped home, also I give to my Said Son my two parts of the Ship "Adventur and Brittania." I give and bequeath unto my son John Opie an hundred pounds of good and lawful Money of England. I give and bequeth unto my Son Lindsey Opie one hundred pounds of good and lawful Money of England. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hellen Opie three hundred pounds of lawful Money of England. I give and bequeath Unto my daughter Susanna Opie three hundred pounds of lawful Money of England. I give and bequeath unto My daughter Sarah Opie three hundred pounds of lawful Money of England. I give and bequeath unto My said three daughters all my household and garden things lying and standing in Saint Austin Bart., with all the appurtenances, as also all my late and household Goods to be equally divided amongst them.

I Give and bequeath unto My daughter Hellen Opie all My house and Garden standing, lying and standing, in Soman Flagg Lane with All the Appurtenances belonging to them.

I Give and bequeath unto My three brothers twenty shillings apiece to buy a ring.

I give and bequeath unto My brother-in-law Robert Linsey five pounds of lawful Money of England.

I Give and bequeath unto Mary Edward two Guineies, and My Will is that when all My debts and Legacys are paid there should be some part of My effects remaining the Same to be Equally divided between My two sons John and Lindsey Opie, but in case My Effects should not amount to pay My debts and Legacys then the difference to be obtained out of My three daughters Legacys, and where as my three Sons are now abroad and not Knowing how God may please to deal with them in case of Mortality of Either of them before they return, it is My Will that what is their share shall be Equally divided amongst My surviving Children.

I hereby appoint My Good friend Mr. William French, My son Thomas Opie, and George Bartlett to be My Executors of this My last Will and Testament, and unto Each of which I give and bequeath twenty shillings to buy a ring, and I appoint only this to be My last Will and Testament in witness of which I set My hand and seal.

THOMAS OPIE (Seal).

Signed, sealed, and published and declared by the said Thomas Opie as his last Will and Testament in the presence of Jo. Charley, Fran. Harris, Eliz. French.

THE WILL OF MARY CARY OF SURRY COUNTY.

The following will is interesting for its wealth of detail, but who was the writer? Some things in the will show that she was probably originally from South Carolina.